

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK HELD OCTOBER 18, 2016

A Regular Monthly Meeting of the Lower Alloways Creek Township Committee was held on October 18, 2016 with Mayor Ellen B. Pompper calling the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

STATEMENT OF NOTICE GIVEN

The Township Clerk read the following statement.

This is a Regular Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek being held in compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" N.J.S.A. 10:4-6. To insure the right of citizens to have adequate advance notice of and the right to attend meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting them is discussed or acted upon. Advance written notice of this meeting was given by way of an Annual Notice, which was filed with the Lower Alloways Creek Township Clerk, forwarded to the South Jersey Times, posted on the Township's Website and the Bulletin Board in the lobby of the Lower Alloways Creek Township Municipal Building in compliance with said Act.

FLAG SALUTE Mayor Pompper led in the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE

Present: Mr. Bradway, Mr. Palombo, Mr. Venable, and Mayor Pompper **Absent:** Mr. Breslin

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Also in attendance were -ten- (10) members of the Public including Jack Lynch, Superintendent of Public Works; Lewis Fogg, Public Works Foreman; David Sowers, Director of Public Safety; Karin Wood, Solicitor and the Township Clerk Ronald L Campbell Sr.

APPROVAL OF AUDITED VOUCHERS

Motion (Venable, Bradway) that all properly audited vouchers be paid.

The motion to pay properly audited vouchers passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Breslin

MONTHLY REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE

The Mayor requested that the minutes reflect that the September 2016 Monthly Reports to the Township Committee have been received from the following Departments and are on file with the Clerk: Police Department, Municipal Court, Tax Collector, Sewer Collector, Construction Office, Engineer and Finance.

MINUTES

Motion (Venable, Bradway) to approve the Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting and Closed Session held September 20, 2016.

The motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting and Closed Session held September 20, 2016 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Breslin

RESOLUTIONS

Motion (Venable, Bradway) for Resolution 2016-90 A Resolution authorizing the receipt of bids for Electrical Services for the period, January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018.

RESOLUTION 2016-90

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE RECEIPT OF BIDS FOR

ELECTRICAL SERVICES.

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek desires to procure the services of a certified electrician, and;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee does authorize the Purchasing Agent to write bid specifications for securing the services of a certified electrician to perform work for the Township as needed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek that it does authorize the advertisement for the receipt of bids for Electrical Services by the Township Purchasing Agent.

The motion for Resolution 2016-90 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Breslin

Motion (Venable, Bradway) for Resolution 2016-91, a Resolution authorizing the receipt of bids for the supplying of vehicle parts for the period, January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018.

RESOLUTION 2016-91

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE RECEIPT OF BIDS FOR VEHICLE PARTS AND ACCESSORIES.

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek desires to have a stable and timely supply of parts and accessories for the maintenance of Township vehicles, and;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee does authorize the Purchasing Agent to compile a list of vehicle parts and accessories that are common for the routine maintenance of the Township's fleet of vehicles and machinery, for use in the bid specifications

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek that it does authorize the advertisement for the receipt of bids for Vehicle Parts and Accessories by the Township Purchasing Agent.

The motion for Resolution 2016-91 authorizing the receipt of bids for the supplying of vehicle parts for the period, January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Breslin

Motion (Venable, Bradway) for Resolution 2016-92, a Resolution attesting to the public review and submittal of the CY 2016 Best Practices Worksheet to the State of New Jersey.

RESOLUTION 2016-92

A RESOLUTION ATTESTING TO THE REVIEW AND SUBMITTAL OF THE CY 2016 BEST PRACTICES WORKSHEET TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Fiscal Year 2016 Appropriations Act (P.L. 2011, c.85) requires the Division of Local Government Services to determine how much of each municipality's final 5% allocation of its Consolidated Municipal Property Tax Relief Aid (CMPTRA) and Energy Tax Receipts (ETR) aid will be disbursed based upon the results of a Best Practices Worksheet to be completed by each municipality; and,

WHEREAS, the Best Practices Worksheet was completed by Chief Financial Officer Kevin Clour and submitted to the Division of Local Government Services; and,

WHEREAS, said Worksheet contains 20 affirmative responses, 4 negative responses and 6 not applicable responses out of 30 questions resulting in receipt of 100% of the final 5% allocation of its ETR aid; and,

WHEREAS, the completed form must be an agenda item for discussion at a municipal governing body meeting the purpose of which is to ensure that local officials have been apprised of the response which, thereafter, the Municipal Clerk must subsequently file a certification confirming that the Best Practices Worksheet was discussed publicly, and,

WHEREAS, as required, the Best Practice Worksheet was placed on the Committee's October 18, 2016 meeting agenda and was discussed publicly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, County of Salem and State of New Jersey that the Best Practices Worksheet CY 2016 / SFY 2016 was reviewed and accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk and Chief Financial Officer will certify to the Division of Local Government Services that the Best Practices Worksheet for the Township of Lower Alloways Creek (municipal code 1705) was reviewed and approved by the governing body at its regular Monthly Township Committee meeting held on October 18, 2016.

The motion for Resolution 2016-92 attesting to the public review and submittal of the CY 2016 Best Practices Worksheet to the State of New Jersey passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Palombo and Pompper
Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Breslin

Motion (Venable, Bradway) for Resolution 2016-93, a Resolution authoring transfers be made on the first Day of November 2016 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 in the 2016 Budget Current Operation fund in the amount of \$67,000.00.

RESOLUTION 2016-93

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS IN THE 2016 BUDGET CURRENT OPERATING FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$67,000.00.

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek has found it necessary to recommend that Transfers be made within the Current Operating Fund of the 2016 Budget of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek on the first Day of November 2016 in the amount of \$67,000.00 ; and,

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey authorizes under N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58, the transforming of funds from one line item to another during the last two (2) months of the current budget fiscal year, by a resolution adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the full membership, except that no transfers may be made from an appropriation outside the CAP to an appropriation within the CAP; and,

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek does concur with the Chief Financial Officers recommendation to make such Transfers as follows:

FROM:

POLICE S/W	\$ 42,000.00
MOSQUITO CONTROL O/E	\$ 5,000.00

FARM LAND PRESERVATION	\$ 5,000.00
LUNCH PROGRAM	\$ 5,000.00
SOCIAL SECURITY	\$ 10,000.00

TOTAL	\$ 67,000.00
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TO:

TAX ASSESSOR	\$ 3,000.00
POLICE O/E	\$ 42,000.00
MUNICIPAL GARAGE	\$ 12,000.00
DOG REGULATION O/E	\$ 3,000.00
STREET LIGHTING	\$ 4,000.00
TELEPHONE	\$ 3,000.00

TOTAL	\$ 67,000.00
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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, no less than 2/3 of the full voting Committee affirming, that these transfers be made on the first Day of November 2016 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 in the 2016 Budget Current Operation fund as follows:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the CFO, Kevin Clour.

The motion for Resolution 2016-93 authoring transfers be made on the first Day of November 2016 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 in the 2016 Budget Current Operation fund in the amount of \$67,000.00 passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Venable, Bradway, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Breslin

ORDINANCE (INTRODUCTION)

The Township Committee discussed the information on Vacant and Abandoned Properties and had mixed feelings on if any suited the Township. Mr. Venable will try to get one from a municipality in Salem County that sparked his pursuing this.

ORDINANCE (PUBLIC HEARING)

Ordinance 2016-06 An ordinance amending Chapter 69 known as “Municipal Boat Ramp” of the Code of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek.

Mayor Pompper opened the meeting to a Public Hearing on Ordinance 2016-06, an ordinance amending Chapter 69 known as “Municipal Boat Ramp” of the Code of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek.

No one from the Public had any comments.

Mayor Pompper closed the Public Hearing on Ordinance 2016-06, an ordinance amending Chapter 69 known as “Municipal Boat Ramp” of the Code of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek.

Motion (Venable, Bradway) for final adoption of Ordinance 2016-06, an ordinance amending Chapter 69 known as “Municipal Boat Ramp” of the Code of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek.

ORDINANCE 2016-06

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 69 KNOWN AS “BOAT RAMP, MUNICIPAL” OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek desires to amend Chapter 69 known as “Boat Ramp, Municipal”.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek that:

Section 1. Chapter 69 of the Code of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek is hereby amended as follows:

GENERAL REFERENCES

~~Parks and recreational facilities—See Ch. 127.~~

§ 69-5. Stickers. [Amended 12-27-1994 by Ord. No. 94-12; 4-2-1996 by Ord. No. 96-3; 3-19-2002 by Ord. No. 2002-3; 9-15-2015 by Ord. No. 15-05, 10/18/2016 by Ord. No. 2016-06]

Eligible Users shall:

- A. annually pay a required fee:
 1. two dollars (\$2.00) for residents of Lower Alloways Creek Township to the Municipal Clerk for the issuance of decal stickers
 2. ~~ten dollars (\$10.00)~~ One Hundred dollars (\$100.00) for non-residents of Lower Alloways Creek Township to the Municipal Clerk for the issuance of decal stickers;
- B. ~~display~~ affix one Township-issued sticker on the intended towing or carrying vehicle to be parked in the parking area and a second Township-issued sticker on the vessel to be placed in the water, either on the windshield or side of the vessel above the waterline where it may be seen when the vessel is in the water; and
- C. acknowledge to the Township Clerk receipt and understanding of the rules for the use of the ramp and parking area as set forth in the Township Code. Receipt of the decal stickers by the Eligible User shall be evidence of said acknowledgement.
- D. if they are not the owner of the vessel and/or towing or carrying vehicle, be familiar with and comply with the rules and regulations of this chapter.
- E. include State and local Government Agencies, Emergency Services, Fire Departments and Wildlife / Estuary Management which are hereby granted an exception from the requirements of subsection A and B above, but shall be required to obtain, be familiar with and comply with the rules and regulations of this chapter.

§ 69-7. Parking. [Amended 9-15-2015 by Ord. No. 15-05, 10/18/2016 by Ord. No. 2016-06]

- A. No person shall park any vehicle on the facility except in places clearly designated for parking.

- B. No person shall park any vehicle or trailer except in that portion designated within the public boat ramp area, nor shall any person park any vehicle or vessel overnight.

Section 2. Repealer, Severability and Effective Date.

- A. Repealer. Any and all Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.
- B. Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the Township Committee hereby declares its intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the Township to meet the goals of the Ordinance.
- C. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage in accordance with the law.

This Ordinance which was introduced for First Reading on September 20, 2016 shall be published by Title in the South Jersey Times and placed on the Township's Bulletin Board giving notice of said Public Hearing as required by Law.

Public Hearing on this Ordinance shall be on October 18, 2016 at 7:30 p.m., at the Municipal Building, 501 Locust Island Road, Hancock's Bridge, New Jersey.

Introduction: September 20, 2016

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOVE	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
MR. BRADWAY		S	Y			
MR. BRESLIN III			Y			
MR. PALOMBO			Y			
MR. VENABLE	M		Y			
MAYOR POMPPER			Y			

Final: October 18, 2016

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOVE	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
MR. BRADWAY		S	Y			
MR. BRESLIN III						Absent
MR. PALOMBO			Y			
MR. VENABLE	M		Y			
MAYOR POMPPER			Y			

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion (Bradway, Venable) to make it a policy to charge residents a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) annual fee for a second trash container and a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) annual fee for a second recycling container.

The motion to make it a policy to charge residents a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) annual fee for a second trash container and a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) annual fee for a second recycling container passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Bradway, Venable, Palombo and Pompper

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Breslin

Motion (Venable, Bradway) to approve the attendance and overnight stay of Lance Kaufmann at the NJSLOM Conference November 15th (overnight) and 16th to acquire CEU's for his CRP certification.

The motion to approve the attendance and overnight stay of Lance Kaufmann at the NJSLOM Conference November 15th (overnight) and 16th to acquire CEU's for his CRP certification passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Pompper, Venable, Palombo and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Breslin

Motion (Bradway, Palombo) to approve up to ten thousand two hundred dollars (\$10,200.00) to rebuild the Caterpillar Excavator tracks.

The motion to approve up to ten thousand two hundred dollars (\$10,200.00) to rebuild the Caterpillar Excavator tracks passed a vote of the Township Committee as follows: 4-0

Ayes: Pompper, Palombo, Venable, and Bradway

Nays: none Abstain: none Absent: Breslin

CORRESPONDENCE

REPORTS TO THE COMMITTEE & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Works

Mr. Lynch commented that the Public Works Department had put out 'No Hunting' signs on Township property lines along the wetlands in the area discussed several meetings ago (behind Public Works) and a neighboring property owner claims that the signs are being placed on his property. Neither the Township nor the other property owner have any survey markings to go by, it may be that we need to see what Fralinger would want to survey of this property and have something to go by.

Public Safety

Lt. Venable stated that the new Patrol Vehicle has been delivered and Body Cameras are now in use. Lt. Venable also stated that, the Committee is probably aware that a Township Officer was recently assaulted while making an arrest of a suspect, during this incident Salem City Officers backup our Officer and their help was needed and appreciated.

None of the Committee members had any further comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Several residents commented on a common neighbor who has been shooting some type of rifle consistently for hours at a time from a tree stand into the ground. This has them concerned for their personal safety, their quality of life and property values. Residents complained that when this happens, they go into their homes and shut the windows and turn up the TV to be able to drown out the noise. Some were concerned that it seems that some sort of exploding targets are being used. Residents also indicated that not only is the noise frightening and there is no berm or protective barrier from ricocheting bullets. Residents are asking the Committee to adopt some type of shooting ordinance or do something to curb this behavior. The local Police have said there is nothing they can do without an ordinance to enforce.

Mayor Pompper stated that she will see to it that the Director of Public Safety, the Solicitor and any others who may be able to help on this matter will look into what can be done.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Palombo, Bradway) to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

The motion to adjourn the meeting passed unanimously 4-0.

Minutes of the October 18, 2016 Meeting were approved at a meeting held November 14, 2016

ATTEST:

LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP

Ronald L Campbell Sr. Clerk

By: _____
Mayor, Ellen B. Pompper